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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

Japanese Utility Model Publication No. 6-7188. A discussion of relevance of this document is set forth on pages one and two of the present application.

Japanese Patent Laid-Open Publication No. 2000-179192. This document discloses a door handle unit for a vehicle. An English-language abstract describing the construction of the door handle unit.

To assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted documents are cited on the attached form PTO-1449 and copies of the documents are enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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